

~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, October is nationally recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month and aims to raise awareness and educate about breast health and breast cancer, a leading cause of death in women in the United States. The month also recognizes the many patients, survivors, those living with metastatic breast cancer, their supporters, loved ones, and dedicated providers; and honors those lives lost to the disease; and

WHEREAS, in the Pacific Northwest, 1 in 7 women are affected by breast cancer when the national average is 1 in 8 women; and breast cancer also affects 1% of men; and only 15% of diagnoses are related to family history; and 20-30% of those diagnosed with early disease will experience a recurrence; and

WHEREAS, today's breast screening mammogram rates have not returned to pre-pandemic levels, so it continues to be critical to raise awareness across the community about the importance of breast health and early detection, as catching breast cancer early saves lives; and

WHEREAS, Pink Lemonade Project, a Washington-based nonprofit organization, is on a mission to educate, empower, and support all communities affected by breast cancer with vital outreach, education, screening, financial assistance, support groups, mentors, and community across Oregon and SW Washington; and

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to unite the community and spread essential messages of early detection, screening, and prevention, and then, after a diagnosis, of the importance of emotional, psychological, and financial assistance for breast cancer patients; and

WHEREAS, together, Pink Lemonade Project wants to work with all communities to increase health equity, reduce the number of new diagnoses, increase survivorship, and improve everyone's quality of life;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Steve Hogan, Mayor of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as:

“Breast Cancer Awareness Month”

in the City of Camas and urge as many residents as possible to raise awareness and funds to help support life-saving research and programs.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 6th day of October 2025.

Steve Hogan, Mayor